

# **AMP Australian Property**

Quarterly Investment Option Update

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## **Aim and Strategy**

To generate long-term returns from investing in Australian property. This portfolio predominately invests in a range of listed property trusts and cash, and may hold exposures to unlisted property.

### **Investment Option Performance**

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# **Investment Option Overview**

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Investment category	Property and infrastructure
Suggested minimum investment timeframe	7 years
Relative risk rating	Medium to High
Investment style	Active
Manager style	Single

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Unlisted Property and Infrastructure	45
Listed Property and Infrastructure	40
Cash	15
Actual Allocation	%
Listed Property and Infrastructure	41.78
Unlisted Property and Infrastructure	35.64
Cash	22.59

Benchmark (%)

Region Allocation	%
Australasia	100.00

**Asset Allocation** 

#### **Market Review**

The Australian listed real estate market rallied for most of the June quarter and outperformed the broader Australian share market, which also rose strongly. The market finished the quarter up by 19.9%, as measured by the S&P/ASX 200 A-REIT index on a total return basis. Markets were supported by significant economic stimulus, with sentiment also buoyed by the relative success of COVID-19 containment measures in Australia which saw state governments start lifting mandatory lockdowns. In this highly uncertain environment, Australian listed real estate companies continued to withdraw their earnings and dividend guidance for financial year 2019-20. Many companies also opportunistically raised capital or renewed and extended debt facilities to maintain liquidity, fund acquisitions and improve their balance sheets. The already struggling retail segment was hit particularly hard over the quarter, as consumer confidence fell sharply to the lowest level since the survey began, with retail foot traffic weakening dramatically to see April retail sales experience a record fall amid announcements of store closures. There were however some positive signs later in the period, with data for May showing some slowing in the rate of deterioration in the labour market and improving consumer confidence.

#### Outlook

Unlisted commercial property is likely to see reasonable returns, particularly in sectors which are less sensitive to the economic cycle. Retail property remains weak and may be more exposed to the COVID-19 induced economic downturn, depending on the asset. However, extremely low bond yields should provide some support for unlisted asset valuations.

# **Availability**

Product Name

APIR

Flexible Lifetime - Super

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